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At the risk of forgetting what my own bed feels like, I am having one last hurrah before summer ends. The entirety of my vacation was supposed to be at the Jersey Shore, but then my daughter, Catherine, threw us a curve ball. The two friends who had driven with her cross country had different plans for getting back this way from Jackson Hole, so it has fallen to me to fly to Wyoming this weekend and drive back to the East Coast with her.

I absolutely don't mind! While we won't have time to meander and see many sights, it will be a treat to spend three days sharing this adventure with her. We will drive straight to the Jersey Shore, where we will reunite with the whole family, including Moose.

Before I leave, I do want to share one work-related item with you. This month, August, is National Make a Will Month. Not exactly a Hallmark holiday, but something we note with interest at the Catholic Community Foundation.

I hope that most of you have made your estate plans, but I have consistently seen a statistic quoted that 70% of adults do not have a will. If you fall into that category, I encourage you to make an appointment with an attorney. If that seems daunting, and if your estate is relatively straightforward, the CCF has partnered with FreeWill, which provides no-cost estate planning tools that are simple and 100% legal. You can access FreeWill [here](#).

As someone who did not make a will until just a few years ago, trust me when I tell you it will give you peace of mind to get this taken cared of. Remember, too, that estate plans shouldn't just be made and put on a shelf. My husband and I recently reviewed ours, and we discovered a couple of things that no longer made sense, and we were able to easily change them. Whew!

That's all for the public service announcement... I hope you all have a wonderful week, and I will check in after my I-80 adventure across the USA!

God Bless,

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